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 **Exodus 16:1-35**

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## Teachers Dig In

### Dig In to the Bible

- Read: Exodus 16:1-35
- In This Passage: While the Israelites wander in the desert, they need food. They complain about how hungry they are and wish they'd never left Egypt. But God is loyal, even though they're not loyal in trusting him. He sends them food from the sky—manna (a mysterious breadlike substance) and quail.
- Bible Point: God is loyal...
- Application: ...so we're loyal.
- Summary Verse: "The Lord is compassionate and merciful, slow to get angry and filled with unfailing love" (Psalm 103:8).

### Dig Deeper

- You'll Be Teaching: *God is loyal*. Kids' friendships can be anything but loyal. They can end over the simplest things: a misunderstanding, a difference of opinion, or affiliation with unpopular kids. Help kids see that even when the Israelites stopped trusting God, he continued to be faithful and loyal, providing food for them for 40 years. Kids can count on God to be loyal, even when their friends aren't.
- Think About: Who in your life has been most loyal to you? What can you learn from that person about God's loyalty?

### Dig In to Prayer

- Pray that God would help kids be loyal friends that reflect his true heart.

### Quick Tip

- When you use small groups or pair-shares for parts of the lesson, such as some of the discussion questions, you increase your kids' involvement and learning. Everyone gets a chance to participate and share! You also help kids practice peer relationships and help boost their skills as loyal friends.